



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of Yusaku KATO et al.

Docket No.: KAS.073

Serial No.: 10/563,114
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PETITION TO THE DIRECTOR UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181

Sir:

This is a Petition to the Director to withdraw the requirement for an oath or declaration of the inventors under 37 C.F.R. 1.497(a) and (b), which requirement was made in the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on April 19, 2006. Such a declaration was already submitted with the other papers nationalizing the application on January 3, 2006.

There was an inadvertent erroneous indication in the International Application as filed that the second inventor is Tsuyoshi Naito. In fact, there is no person by that name who ever had any connection with the application or the invention. The problem lies in the translation of the second inventor's name, Tsuyoshi Uchiyama, from Japanese characters to English letters. Of the two Japanese characters comprising the names "Uchiyama" and "Naito", the first Japanese character is the same in both names. The person entering the English letters of the name in the International Application jumped to the conclusion that the name was "Naito", which is a more common name in Japan than "Uchiyama", and entered "Naito" in the International Application.

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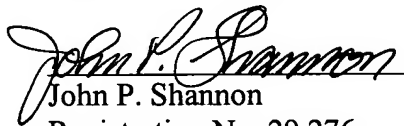
In support of this petition, the Declaration of Yumiko Teraoka, the person who entered the English letters of the name of the second inventor in the International Application, is submitted herewith.

Since no person is being added as an inventor and no person is being deleted as an inventor, the applicants are unable to file a statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d)(1).

A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the petition fee is attached. If the Commissioner finds that additional fees are required or that a refund is in order, he is authorized to debit or credit Deposit Account No. 50-0562. An additional copy of this paper is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF YUMIKO TERAOKA

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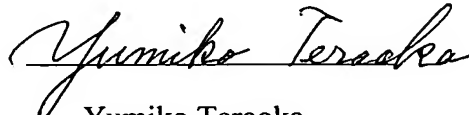
The present application is the United States nationalization of PCT/JP2004/008598, which was filed in Japan on June 18, 2004. I am a member of the staff of Kaseguma International Patent Office, the firm that filed PCT/JP2004/008598 in the Japanese Receiving Office on behalf of the applicants. I prepared the application papers comprising application PCT/JP2004/008598. In preparing the papers that were subsequently filed, I inadvertently and erroneously indicated in the papers that the second inventor is Tsuyoshi Naito. In fact, there is no person by the name Tsuyoshi Naito who ever had any connection with the application or the invention. The error arose from my translation of the second inventor's name, Tsuyoshi Uchiyama, from Japanese characters to English letters. Of the two Japanese characters comprising the surnames "Uchiyama" and "Naito", the first Japanese character is the same in both names. Upon seeing the first character in the surname of the second inventor, I jumped to the conclusion that the name in English letters was "Naito", which is a more common name in Japan than "Uchiyama", and I entered "Naito" in the International Application.

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DECLARATION OF YUMIKO TERAOKA

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 27, 2006


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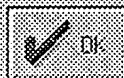
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